

September 8, 2004

TO: Members of the MAG Regional Council Executive Committee

FROM: Mayor Keno Hawker, City of Mesa, Chair

SUBJECT: MEETING NOTIFICATION AND TRANSMITTAL OF TENTATIVE AGENDA  
FOR THE MAG REGIONAL COUNCIL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Monday, September 13, 2004 - 12:00 noon  
MAG Office, Suite 200 - Cholla Room  
302 North 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue, Phoenix

A meeting of the MAG Regional Council Executive Committee has been scheduled for the time and place noted above. Members of the Committee may attend either in person, by telephone conference, or by video conference. If you have any questions, please contact me at (480) 644-2388 or Dennis Smith, MAG Executive Director, at (602) 254-6300.

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### **TENTATIVE AGENDA**

	<u>COMMITTEE ACTION REQUESTED</u>
1. <u>Call to Order</u>	
2. <u>Call to the Audience</u>	2. Information and discussion.
An opportunity will be provided to members of the public to address the Executive Committee on items not scheduled on the agenda that fall under the jurisdiction of MAG, or on items on the agenda for discussion but not for action. Members of the public will be requested not to exceed a three minute time period for their	

comments. A total of 15 minutes will be provided for the Call to the Audience agenda item, unless the Executive Committee requests an exception to this limit. Please note that those wishing to comment on action agenda items will be given an opportunity at the time the item is heard.

3. Approval of Consent Agenda

Prior to action on the consent agenda, members of the audience will be provided an opportunity to comment on consent items that are being presented for action. Following the comment period, Committee members may request that an item be removed from the consent agenda. Consent items are marked with an asterisk.

3. Approval of Consent Agenda

**ITEMS PROPOSED FOR CONSENT\***

\*3A. Approval of the July 19, 2004 Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

\*3B. Amendment of the FY 2005 MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget to Update the MAG Specifications and Details for Public Works Construction

The MAG Specifications and Details Committee is requesting that a consultant be hired to assist the Committee in updating the Specifications and Details for Public Works Construction. It is anticipated that the \$80,000 would be needed for the update and MAG federal funds could be used for this effort. A request for proposals would be issued for the consultant effort and the consultant selected for the effort would be recommended at the November Management Committee meeting. This agenda item is on the September 8, 2004 Management Committee agenda for action. An update will be provided to the Executive Committee. Please refer to the enclosed material.

3A. Review and approve the July 19, 2004 Executive Committee meeting minutes.

3B. Approval of an amendment to the FY 2005 MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget in the amount of \$80,000 to provide funding for a consultant study to update the MAG Specifications and Details for Public Works Construction.

**ITEMS PROPOSED TO BE HEARD**

4. Regional Report Update

At the July 19, 2004 Executive Committee meeting, a briefing was provided on the development of the MAG Regional Report and

4. Information and discussion.

the potential Business Summit to present the report. The Executive Committee directed that the format of the report be revisited to reflect the measures in place to address regional challenges. Discussion had been held with the Business Coalition Steering Committee regarding the report and how to work together on the Summit. Since the July Executive Committee meeting, staff has discussed coordination of the report with other agencies and developed ideas for the format of the report/presentation of the information. An update will be provided on the Regional Report and the Business Summit. Please refer to the enclosed material.

5. Sales Tax Incentives for Retail Development

At the July 19, 2004 Executive Committee meeting, the issue of municipal sales tax incentives was discussed. Staff was directed to provide options for consideration at the September Executive Committee meeting. At the August 31, 2004 League of Arizona Cities and Towns Resolutions Committee meeting, a revenue sharing agreement resolution was introduced, but did not pass. It is anticipated that this issue will be addressed in the next legislative session. An update will be provided to the Executive Committee. Please refer to the enclosed material.

6. Continuum of Care Update

In 1999, the MAG Human Services Coordinating Committee recommended that a community steering committee be established composed of elected officials, technical staff and community agencies to provide direction to three subcommittees on homeless planning issues. In December 1999, the Regional Council approved MAG assuming the responsibility for the planning process and for MAG to submit a regional grant application to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for federal Stuart B. McKinney Act funds for homeless planning for this region. Since that time, the Regional Continuum of Care Committee, assisted by the MAG staff, has developed and submitted consolidated applications to HUD for the Stuart B. McKinney

5. Information, discussion and possible action.

6. Possible action to recommend approval of the Continuum of Care Guidelines.

funds. In July 2004, the Continuum recommended guidelines for the membership, committee structure, decision making process, rules of order, and advocacy process for the Committee. Please refer to the enclosed material.

7. Americorps Volunteer for Homeless Veterans

The FY 2005 MAG Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget includes funding to continue with one Americorps volunteer to assist the MAG Human Services Program. MAG has been approached for the second year by the U.S. VETS to provide on-the-job training for college graduates in public policy and human services planning. The Human Services Division has an opportunity for two, full-time participants to work on homeless and domestic violence issues in the MAG region over the next ten months. MAG would be responsible for a \$4,000 stipend for each participant and to provide office space. U.S.Vets would be responsible for all benefits, as well as bi-monthly salaries for the Americorps staff. If a second volunteer is approved, MAG and U.S. Vets would again sign a Memorandum of Understanding. Please refer to the enclosed material.

8. Adjournment

7. Approval to amend the Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget to provide sponsorship in the amount of \$8,000 for two, ten-month volunteers from Americorps to work on Homeless and Domestic Violence issues in the MAG region.